

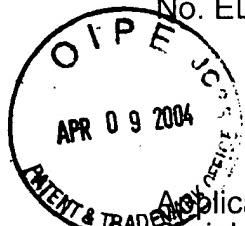
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For POLYMER BRUSHES FOR IMMOBILIZING MOLECULES TO A SURFACE  
AND HAVE WATER-SOLUBLE OR WATER-DISPERSIBLE SEGMENTS  
THEREIN AND PROBES BONDED THERETO

Examiner Mary Ceperley

April 9, 2004

**AMENDMENT C**

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

In response to the final Office action mailed February 12, 2004, Applicants submit the following Amendment C.

**Amendments to the specification** are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.